

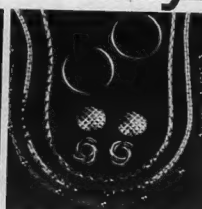
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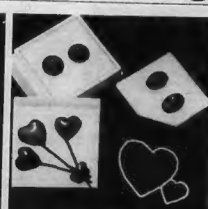
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Driver unhurt in mishap

John Pawlikowski of Edmonton was fortunate to escape injury when his truck overturned last Wednesday afternoon. He was driving the on-on truck north on Highway 22 when his load of cattle shifted. According to a witness the truck began over-rolling from left to right before it tipped in the ditch. The approximately 10 cattle escaped in the accident and have not all been recovered.



The fire department and ambulance were called out as a precautionary measure.

Funding share not enough says town

Town withdraws fire services

By Stuart Adams

Approximately 8,000 County of Parkland residents served by the Drayton Valley Fire Department will be without fire protection as of April 30 unless the county forms its own fire department. A resolution passed at Thursday's council meeting states the town finds the county's offer of approximately \$5,035 an unacceptable amount towards operating the fire department when in fact the county should contribute approximately \$35,000 as its full share (the total operating budget for 1982 was \$100,000).

It went on to say, "The Town of Drayton Valley will deliver the County fire truck to a location of their choice on April 30, 1983 and further at that time the Drayton Valley fire department will be instructed not to respond to any calls beyond the Town limits."

Letter brings on split

The split was brought on by a letter from the County of Parkland dated Jan. 31 which maintained

it was contributing as per an agreement signed between the two bodies as of Nov. 5, 1981.

Initially a motion was presented to inform the county of the unacceptability of the agreement coupled with a request for further negotiations.

But following a discussion it was withdrawn. Councillor Alex Salfi said he felt the county should be given a deadline and if there was no response then the county's fire truck should be removed from the town's premises and county residents be informed that the town's fire department will no longer respond to county fires.

"I'm very adamant in that and I think we have to get tough in this situation," he said, adding he felt the issue had "been batted around for two years and I think it's getting to be a joke."

Councillor Charlie Miner agreed. "A motion for further negotiations is nice, but I'm tired of being nice," he said.

At this point the motion for further negotiations was withdrawn and the resolution to break with the county given unanimous consent.

Town disputes validity of agreement

Under the 1981 agreement the county paid the town \$5,010 as its share for the operation of the fire department throughout that year.

Town council met with county council June 3, 1982 to review the agreement with no resolution. A second meeting took place on Oct. 24 which resulted in the Protection Committee and local fire chief meeting with county councillors Ivan Vorkh and George Mann and the county fire chief.

Protection Committee chairman and councillor Ken Lockman said the Drayton Valley group explained in detail the reasons for the 50 per cent increase. The county representatives said they would present the information to county council and the Jan. 24 letter was the result.

Councillor Bob Booth, also a member of the Protection Committee, was upset with the county's unwillingness to negotiate further on the matter and added the county officials "haven't got their facts and figures straight."

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Prison

Town council goes after jail

By Stuart Adams

The general information session of Thursday's town council meeting yielded a surprise statement from Mayor Bob Mayhew as he called for public support for a proposal to seek a minimum security penitentiary for the town.

Mayhew said this move came in response to a letter from the Village of Ennisville asking for support for their bid for the facility. "I think it's time we let our intentions be known," said the mayor.

"We have already made overtures to the Solicitor General's department that we are interested in a minimum security penitentiary."

He said he and a member of the Economic Development Board have already met with department would consider a proposal from Drayton Valley. "Mind you they're looking at proposals from numerous other communities but we're neither ahead or behind," explained Mayhew.

He added although the project is being planned, funds haven't yet been allotted by the government and a decision date hasn't been established.

Town council's representative on the Economic Development committee Jim Wolff said the cost of the facility would be in the neighborhood of \$50 million. Mayhew added the employment ratio would be about one staff member for each inmate; the total number of inmates is estimated to be approximately 150.

The site would take approximately 65 square kilometres (one quarter section) and part of the area would be taken up by a market gardening operation.

Mayhew stressed it would not be a "castle-looking thing. It would look no different than a hospital or high school—it would have some features for containment."

He added he has discussed the placement of such a facility within the town limits with law enforcement officials.

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Semi clips pole



A town vehicle braced the pole.

A semi-trailer cut the corner at 50th St. and 50th Ave. Saturday afternoon and sheared the light pole on the southwest corner off at ground level. The pole was shifted about one metre off its base. The pole was shifted about one metre off its base, according to Constable Smith of the local RCMP detachment. Workers from Trans-Alta Utilities winched the pole back onto its base and town workers braced it with a town vehicle.



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Fire department

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"They're even quoting from the wrong document."
Both referred to statements in the county's letter that the 1981 agreement was signed "with provision for the agreement to run continuously and calling for annual increases of 10 per cent on certain items."
Signatory of the letter, county administrator Otto Schuster, confirmed this Monday. "The agreement doesn't expire," he said. "It continues from year to year with built-in cost increases."
However, local councillors disagreed and point out that Article 16 of the agreement states "The Town and County agree to revise this Agreement annually, prior to December 31 of each year to reflect annual operating cost increases."
County Expended Problems
Schuster said he had spoken with Drayton Valley town administrator Mary Deel and was expecting a letter from the town to officially inform them of the situation.
"I think we'll move towards establishing our own fire department," he said, adding it depends on the contents of the letter.
It contains a flat-out statement that the county is no longer wanted as part of the fire department then he said so be it. "We feel that the level of service is adequate," he said.
Schuster added the county doesn't feel an increase in funding to Drayton Valley is warranted.

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County admits partial tax blame

Parkland County was partially to blame for a resident's high tax penalties, councillors decided last week.

Council agreed to reduce Marie Hoegy's tax penalty substantially once it was learned he had called in to inquire about taxes and his correct mailing address wasn't obtained.

A total of about \$900 in penalties for 1981 and 1982 taxes had accumulated before Hoegy got his tax bill, councillors were told.

He moved to Parkland's Rolling Hills subdivision in March, 1981, but because the information given to the county by Hoegy's lawyer didn't include a proper mailing address, the tax bill was never received.

Hoegy contacted the county in January, 1983 to inquire about taxes, and was told he would receive a bill in mid-year. It never arrived.

He again called in January, 1983, at which time his mailing address was taken and his bills were sent out.

Hoegy paid both 1981 and 1982 taxes immediately, but not the penalties.

He claimed he had no idea that penalties would be added to the tax bills, or when they would be added.

Advertisements announcing the tax penalties were run in local newspapers, councillors were told.

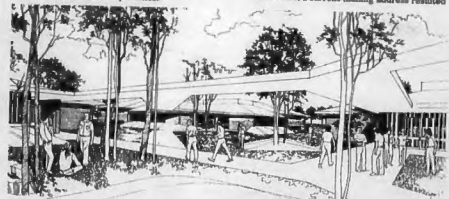
County Administrator Otto Schuster said the problem Hoegy had happened frequently when land changes hands.

But he maintained the county employee who spoke to Hoegy in January, 1982, should have gotten his correct mailing address at the time. Hoegy had not offered the new address to the county at the time, Schuster agreed, but it should be normal procedure to get the address from each caller.

Hoegy said he had paid his lawyer \$1,000 and expected him to do "his share."
He has since returned to the lawyer, who basically told him to "go jump in the lake," Hoegy explained.

The lack of a current mailing address resulted

in Hoegy being penalized several times, Schuster said, but he suggested Hoegy only be made to pay the penalties for 1981, not 1982.
Councillors accepted the idea, although Division 1 Councillor Ron Pollock was opposed.



This is an artist's drawing of one view of the proposed minimum security penitentiary.

Prison continued

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enforcement people and they caused him it's a great asset to an area and is not a danger.

Councillor Alex Saff commented the prison would guarantee economic diversity for the future and therefore needs an enthusiastic response from the citizens.

The councillors discussed the means by which the town should go about applying for the project. Councillors Bob Booth and Jim Wolff said the Economic Development Committee is looking into a number of ways already. "One of the things the Economic Development Committee will be presenting is the setting up of a budget for a brochure and possibly a slide presentation to 'sell the town'."

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Opinions

Differences should be resolved

Hopefully the present conflict over the fire department between the town of Drayton Valley and the County of Parkland will resolve itself.

But it is a complicated issue which has been brewing for a number of years and it will be a while before all the facts are brought into the open.

At present it appears the county has forced the town to take extreme steps to break a stalemate. Hopefully this was not necessary because although the county may not agree with the town's claims they seem to be unaware of the document they signed.

Contained in the agreement is a commitment by the respective bodies to negotiate the

terms each year. There is no agreement for the past year and it was supposed to be in place before Jan. 1, 1982.

For over a year the town has been operating the county's share of the fire department on its own. Figures for the past year indicate during that year 58 per cent of the fire calls were made in the county and 41 per cent in town.

Over the past 10 years 45 per cent of the calls have been in the county with the other 55 per cent in town. Yet for a \$108,000 operating budget the county assumes a share which amounts to less than 10 per cent of the total.

One town councillor brought up the point that the town would be happy to trade obligations with the county — the county could have the town's share and the town would assume the county's share.

The county maintains the fire department doesn't need some of the expenses the town has in the operating budget. But the way it has 'settled' the dispute is to the disadvantage of both parties.

The county is wrong in its assumptions that the agreement is a continuing document. That piece of erroneous information has led to the break-up of what could be a mutually beneficial relationship — neither body could keep up the present fire department standards on its own.

If the town and the county decide to go their respective ways then so be it, but the reasons for doing so should be better than the ones causing the current split.



Evidence of bygone days is found in an old farmhouse near the North Saskatchewan River. (photo by Lyn Jones)

Penitentiary would be asset

Town council's decision to pursue the proposed minimum security penitentiary should be met with a positive response from the public.

People shouldn't let the term 'penitentiary' or 'prison' scare them away from something which would provide a benefit to the community.

This is a minimum security institution for individuals who have broken the law and are being incarcerated. But their sentences are not deemed so 'serious' that they are a threat to society.

They may have a debt to pay but it's a fallacy to think they are as dangerous as those housed in maximum security facilities.

What residents of Drayton Valley should

recognize is that such an institution within our town limits would provide a major tax benefit to the town. This is in addition to the 125 to 150 people who would be employed.

Recall the hopes and enthusiasm for the timber project at the hearings last fall. Consider the mill would be built outside the town and although it would employ a large number of people it wouldn't provide the tax revenues a facility within the town would.

There is already competition between the numerous other communities in the province which have realized the benefits of hosting such a facility.

The only way Drayton Valley can hope to win such a competition is to actively support a bid for the facility.

Editor's Notes

There was some real excitement in town council last week. I have to admit being more than a little pleased by the unanimity displayed.

The topics of the fire department and the penitentiary are controversial and it was good to see council united on both of them.

It was also good to see a few sparks fly in the chambers — keeps the blood circulating.

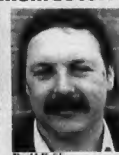
Does anyone know anything about a raven living on the water tower? I've heard a rumor to that effect and I'd like a picture of the bird.

I have a friend with an office facing the tower and before I ask him to set up a camera with a 200 mm lens in the window I want to be sure there's one up there.

Your Comment What do you think of the placement of a minimum security penitentiary in Drayton Valley?



Linda Prestice
Drayton Valley
I would rather not have a penitentiary that close to Drayton Valley. I strongly recommend no.



David Keith
Drayton Valley
It would be an asset to the community and if it's a minimum security it shouldn't cause any harm to the town.



Randy Swag
Drayton Valley
It wouldn't matter to me. The jobs it would create would help a few people out.



Pam Ragenmiller
Drayton Valley
I think it's a really good idea if it's going to create some jobs. We badly need more employment.



Peter Clarke
Drayton Valley
I don't think it's going to damage the community and I don't think the problems would be the same as the Fort Saskatchewan which is maximum security. There would also only be one such institution in the area.

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Tomahawk library plans show

By Evelyn Lakanak
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Edna Goetz returned recently from a two-week stay at Yellowknife. She and eight others flew there in regards to their jobs.

The Tomahawk Community Library held an annual meeting Feb. 7 with a poor attendance. Election of officers was one of the business issues. Marilyn Worden is the new president, Alma Schadeck is vice-president and Frances Gilbert is secretary.

Gloria Joun is the retiring president. The entertainment committee is planning a magic show to come to Tomahawk in April.

The library working schedule for March is: March 3, Mary Greaney and Irma Hutchison, March 4, Gloria Joun and Kathy Thimman, March 7, Doris Worden and Marion Medd, March 10, Alma Schadeck and Janice Bujes, March 11, Noreen Storch and Darlene Umbeck, March 14, Janice Crawford and Eva Brewer, March 17, Trudy Petting and Marilyn Pader, March 18, Frances Gilbert and Evelyn Lakanak, March 21, Carol Nanechuk and Charlotte Nichols, March 24, Donna Weply and Angie Malka, and March 25, Ingrid Schadeck and Marie Pearce.

Shirley and Walter Ditchuk, Jean and Irvine Wiens, Jane and Val Sejmowski and Erna and Fritz Gruber flew to Reno Jan. 28. They rented a van and made a tour of Lake Tahoe, a skiing resort. They returned home Feb. 1.

Tomahawk now has a paper tape instructor for the afternoon. Anyone interested should call 339-3953 or 339-3957. A class of eight is required. The library will be open to the public Feb. 23 from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

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Pressure mounts on Loughheed

By Geoff White and Shelia Pratt
With federal Conservative leader Joe Clark's decision to call a leadership convention, Premier Peter Lougheed has come under increasing pressure from Tories in Alberta and Ontario to step into the race for the top Tory job.

But while MPs in Calgary and Toronto hail Loughheed as the only man who can unite the fractious party and lead it back to power, the premier has said he has no plans to run because he's committed to the people of Alberta.

Loughheed, however, has refused to answer questions about what he would do in the face of a strong movement to draft him for the job, saying his answers to such "hypothetical" questions are always misinterpreted. The pro-Loughheed forces see the small opening they need in these remarks.

Another clue to his intentions may also lie in the fact Loughheed has in the leadership race, despite the fact he has repeatedly said he supports Clark in the race. Clark has said this lack of endorsement doesn't bother him.

But the draft-Loughheed movement faces the major obstacle of removing Clark from the race before it can ever hope to get Loughheed in. The premier has said he would not run against a fellow Albertan. Clark has already said he has no intention of stepping down for Loughheed, despite such a request from about 20 members of the federal Tory caucus. Clark, who so far is the only declared

candidate, says he's ready for any and all challenges.

Loughheed's close cabinet advisors such as Provincial Treasurer Lou Hyndman say they don't think Loughheed will run. They take the premier at his word when he says he intends to retire during this term of office.

Alberta's opposition members also throw cold water on the idea of getting Loughheed into the race. Independent MLA Walter Burk, MLA for Clover Bar, says Loughheed won't enter the race because he fears he won't be able to control the leadership process and the diverse Tory party. "And the premier won't go into anything he can't control," says Burk.

New Democratic Party leader Grant Nottley says Loughheed is largely to blame for the disarray in the federal Tory party because he refused to leave his Hawaiian holiday to help Clark at the Winnipeg convention where Clark failed to get the support he wanted to continue leading the party.

Nottley also says Loughheed would suffer from the same flaws as Prime Minister Trudeau does in the job. Just as Trudeau doesn't understand the need, Loughheed doesn't understand Quebec, said Nottley.

While the enthusiasm for Loughheed and the race grows, veteran MP Harvey Andre, Calgary Centre, says it's doomed to failure, just as a similar movement in 1970 failed to lure Loughheed out of Alberta for the

leadership race that saw Clark elected to the job.

The 1976 precedent should temper the enthusiasm of the pro-Loughheed forces. It will take a

major effort and an unusually strong draft to overcome Loughheed's understandable reluctance to leave the safe, solid fortress of Tory Alberta for the boiling pot of the federal Tory party and federal politics.

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First quarter is always the time to buy cheap animals.

Set hens if you want early chicks. Bake and create things that you want light and fluffy. Begin a diet only if you want to gain weight!

Feb. 19 and 20 the moon will be in the earthy sign of Taurus the bull. This is the time to buy cattle cheaply.

If you like quality, this is the time to buy and invest.

Enjoy a weekend at home since the party spirit is not very strong. If you visit, don't suggest changes. Everyone likes to cling to what they have now.

Beginnings are still favored. Start a job now and you should enjoy security. However, it might lack excitement.

Feb. 21 and 22 we will be in the wonderful wily sign of Gemini as well as in second quarter and increasing.

This is the time to communicate in any way at all. Write, phone or talk. Share feelings. Get things straightened out. Form contracts. This is the time to write a will, a poem or a letter.

Enjoy the side effects of good talk. Party, join new groups and socialize. On the negative side, know when others are full of hot air. Exaggeration and promises that cannot be filled are also the order of the day. No one less, however, the truth gets stretched and today's truth may not stand tomorrow's test.



A Farm Wife's Almanac

by Joanne Benger

Feb. 23 and 24 we will be in Cancer and a waxing moon. Most of us tend to get a bit waterlogged and to gain weight.

Don't begin a diet unless you wish to gain weight. This is an excellent time to start fattening steers for market.

Baking wheat will, if you fear baldness, get a haircut now and your hair should grow back thicker than ever.

Money can be invested in antiques or property. Know what you are doing, however, for some tendencies increase now. The ahead will be more shrewd than usual, but the gullible will be even more gullible than usual. Know thyself. Then proceed.

There is a tendency to eat and drink too much. Curb habits if you can. Otherwise avoid tempting situations.

Whose Lucky Week Is It?

Until Feb. 1 Libra is the luckiest sign with lucky birthdays being those between 26, 24 and 11.

Feb. 20 and luck switches to Scorpio with

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History society plans display

By Edith Dohy
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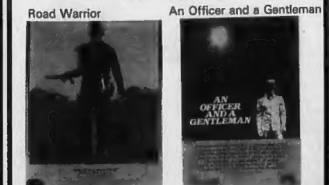
are grandparents for the second time in a year. Elaine is great-grandmother again. The Historical Society held a meeting the last Monday of January. President Nevie LaBranche drew members' attention to ne-

cessary changes in the bylaws. Robert Elliott is in charge of arranging a book display.

Small articles of historical interest are being donated or loaned.

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School board over-budgets \$900,000 in '82

Parkland County's school board spent over \$900,000 more than it budgeted for in 1982. Expense statements show an over expenditure of \$907,266, about 2.4 per cent of the budget of \$37,500,000 in 1982.

Actual expenses totalled \$38,211,556. Over expenditures actually totalled \$907,266, but were offset by \$55,235 not spent elsewhere in the system.

Over expenditures occurred in several areas of the budget, but the overwhelming majority of the deficit came from the debt charges account.

A budget of \$5,500,292 was overspent by \$653,077, bringing debt charges to \$6,553,769 or about 10.5 per cent over the original estimate. Most of the costs are due to the county's freestanding of construction costs until provincial debt loans arrive.

High interest rates usually cause substantial increase in the debt charges portion of the budget.

Canada should develop her own oil resources

By John Gorman
Even if Canadians were given an iron-clad, irrevocable long-term guarantee that adequate supplies of crude oil could be obtained from foreign suppliers, economic arguments still favor developing our own resources.

It is important for Canada to press ahead with the development of oil sands plants; Arctic and offshore opportunities; enhanced recovery projects and conventional exploration programs no matter how appealing the prospect of plentiful supplies of foreign oil might be.

A flourishing, active oil industry can provide a stimulus to the nation's economy.

A story published in a recent issue of Canadian Science illustrates the economic benefits which could be derived from the construction of fixed platforms for use in offshore oil production.

"As far as money goes, local construction of concrete platforms would pump an estimated \$1.5 to \$1.8 billion into Newfoundland's depressed economy. Each platform would take about three and a half years to construct, and would require 1,500 workers to build the concrete base, 800 to 1,200 to fabricate modules, and 1,000 to 2,000 to assemble the deck," says Canadian Science.

There is a strong interest in Newfoundland in fixed platforms since the Ocean Ranger tragedy last February, because fixed platforms do not collapse in storms. And if an evacuation has to be staged for some reason, it is easier to launch lifeboats from a fixed platform than from one that floats.

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Junior and senior high costs ran about two per cent higher than expected, while plant operation cost about one per cent more, and transportation cost about 3.5 per cent more than expected.

Over expenditures of less than 5 per cent also occurred in the administration and capital equipment accounts.

A budgeted, total of \$860,520 was diverted into a reserve account for future debt repayment.

Doing so was a controversial topic at budget time last year, and many trustees disagreed with collecting taxes before they were actually needed to meet future costs.

While the \$907,000 over expenditure is huge, it is offset considerably by a substantial increase in revenue for the year over budgeted amounts.

Estimated revenue for the year is listed in the documents as \$37,442,126, about \$478,850 more than the expected \$36,963,275, or about 1.3 per cent.

Extra revenue came from a number of sources, including the federal government-paid tuition fees, local tuition fees, transportation fees, interest earned, sale of assets, \$55,000 compared to a budgeted \$1,050, French grants and provincial grants, (particularly special education, vocational, assistance and transportation).

Supplementary school taxes came in exactly as predicted, although base foundation grants

from the province were slightly under the anticipated amount.

Combining the \$907,266 over expenditure and \$478,850 estimated additional revenue gives a final deficit of approximately \$428,560, using the estimated figures given.

The revenue figures do not include early childhood services or the two county community schools.

The school board is now working on its 1983 budget, which is expected to top \$40 million.

School Board Chairman Don Brandenburg has called for minimal increases in spending, and no more than five per cent tax hikes.

Provincial grant increases of only five per cent will not match increased costs in many areas, he has said, and reduction of some expenses outside actual education might well be necessary.

Trustees are expected to vote this month on whether to hire a replacement for a top administrator's position, recently vacated.

A new budget system has been introduced for 1983, whereby all expenses over 50 per cent of last year's budget must be prioritized and explained.

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Costing taxpayers more?

County questions ambulance

Parkland County Councilor Larry Walker charges that the Parkland Ambulance Authority (PAA) is distorting its budget figures and he predicts it will come to taxpayers after the next election to seek more money.

"It concerns me that their figures are so far out of line," Walker said last week.

He was responding to recent comments made by PAA Chairman George Cuff, Spruce Grove mayor, who was defending plans by the authority to set up a municipally-run, hospital-based ambulance service.

"When I see this (Cuff's comment) I see red," said Walker. "I'm afraid the ratepayers are going to be let down."

Walker says he intends to fight bylaws that give the authority the power to requisition council of participating municipalities for more money.

He accuses PAA of hiding costs by "blowing" revenue estimates "out of proportion" and underestimating costs. Cuff recently said PAA is doing the opposite.

Walker also accuses PAA of hiding the costs from the 400,000 Spruce Grove fire hall, which are borne by Spruce Grove taxpayers. The authority will be using half the building for ambulance storage at Spruce Grove's expense, he says.

"This works out to an additional cost of \$1 per capita per year to Spruce Grove residents for ambulance service, he claims."

Where's the recovery?

By Grant Nestley
Leader, Alberta NDP

Most people are fervently hoping for the kind of economic upturn in 1983 that seemed away to be "just around the corner" in 1982. Indeed, various government officials and private sector experts continue to insist that real recovery is "just around the corner."

However, over the past couple of months, the happy talk that Albertans heard from their Conservative government representatives during the October election campaign has become decidedly muted.

And an increasing number of prestigious international bodies are forecasting continuing grim times.

In some senses, Albertans are now presented with a golden opportunity to set right the economic imbalance that has plagued our provincial economy for many years. The current economic troubles in fact provide us with the breathing space during which, if we put our minds to it, we can shift our economy away from its dangerous over-reliance on non-renewable resource exploitation and toward a more balanced mix of several economic sectors, including much greater emphasis on agricultural processing, forestry, and several high technology brain industries.

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A 138,000-volt power line has been proposed by TransAlta Utilities through Parkland County.

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Pigeon posture good for you

By Linda Glover

The pigeon series of posture includes a chest expanding posture, a back bending posture, a twisting posture, a balancing posture and a side bend.

The pigeons are beneficial to the spine, streamline the waistline and expand the chest. They can be done during pregnancy as a substitute for other back bends which require lying face-downward.

Begin the pigeon postures with the legs in a half-split position. The left leg is extended backward, the right knee bent, and the right heel resting against the perineum. Practice this position first, then attempt the following postures.

For the pigeon chest expander, begin in the half-split with the left leg back. Place the forehead on the floor in front of the right knee. Interlace the fingers behind the back. As you curl upward, raise the arms, expanding the chest. Hold, breathing normally. Curl downward, repeat, then change sides.

For the pigeon back bend, begin with the legs in the half-split position, with the left leg



extended behind the body. Place the palms on either side of the right foot, and the forehead on the floor in front of the right knee. Slowly curl upward, and backward, looking up. Keep the palms on the floor. Hold, breathing normally, then curl downward, and repeat. Do two back bends on the opposite side.

For the pigeon twist, begin in the half-split with the left leg behind. Place the left hand on the outside of the right thigh. Place the right arm behind the body, bringing the hand to the outside of the left thigh if you are able to reach. Twist towards the right. Hold, breathing normally, then twist back, and repeat.

For the pigeon balancing posture, again begin in the half-split with the left leg back. Place the forehead on the floor in front of the right knee. Stretch the arms overhead, and place the palms on the floor. Keeping the arms stretched upward, slowly curl into a back bend. Maintain the posture, breathing normally, then slowly curl back to your starting position. Repeat on the other side.

Court news

Blair Andrews of Drayton Valley was member after being asked to leave. He pushed an employee to the ground, who sprained her thumb as a result of an incident that occurred at the Drayton Valley arena Jan. 14.

Andrews became involved in an altercation

with an arena staff member after being asked to leave. He pushed an employee to the ground, who sprained her thumb as a result of an incident that occurred at the Drayton Valley arena Jan. 14.

Andrews was fined \$150 for both offences.

Auction Report

On offer Feb. 9 at Sebra Auctions were 364 head of cattle and calves. Good stock steer calves \$80 to \$91 per 100, some higher. Good stock heifer calves \$75 to \$80 per 100, some higher. Good 900 to 900 lb. steers \$74 to \$87.25 per 100.

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Resident upset with taxes

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No county dog licences — council

Parkland County will not license dogs, councilors decided last week.
Contrary to an emphatic appeal from Parkland Police Chief Bill Price, councilors voted 4 to 5 against a proposed licensing bylaw.
Price argued that the bylaw only proposed \$1 yearly fee, and that the tags issued will help immensely in the return of lost dogs.
No additional staff would be needed to implement the bylaw, he said, and it would give police the ability to ticket dog owners for having their pets running loose.

Price stressed the bylaw would not be a revenue producing one, but instead "a strictly a control mechanism."
But the plan met with disfavor from several councilors, particularly Division 5 Councilor George Mann.
He questioned how the county could force anyone to buy a licence when the dog is not running loose or causing a problem.
Price said the police would not set out looking for dogs to license, but he agreed there may be some initial difficulty with neighbors informing the county about unlicensed dogs as a way of settling a personal score.

He said the county destroyed 600 animals last year from Parkland alone, mainly because the owners can't be located.
Sometimes owners prefer not to pick up a lost dog, and let it be destroyed, but at least the owner could be ticketed, Price said.
Many residents don't know where to call for information on lost dogs, and many animals are destroyed as a result, he added.
Killing dogs is expensive, as well as grueling on the person doing it, he said, and a lost-cost tag would help reduce the number of animals destroyed.

Almost all other municipalities have dog licensing bylaws, Price said, and the proposed \$1 fee is far less than most.
As a check on its effectiveness, Price suggested the bylaw be thoroughly reviewed in two years. If it is proven that it has worked, then it should be kept, he said.

But if the record shows that it didn't work, Price said he would agree to drop it.
"The pros far outweigh the cons. We have to try it because the situation is getting horrendous," Reeve Les Miller, like Mann, said he didn't like the idea of licensing dogs, because it penalizes everyone for the wrongs of a few.
But he couldn't think of a better way out of the problem, he admitted.
"Many people, myself included, are dubious that it (the bylaw) will actually help," he said, because there will be many dog owners that won't buy tags.
People who don't look after their dogs won't buy tags, Division 6 Councilor Maurice McCullagh added.

Miller said he agreed with the farmer who would say "what on earth next, we're being regulated to death."
Price agreed the majority of the problems with dogs come from rural subdivision areas, not farms. But restricting the license requirements to only acreages would be unfair, he said.
Dogs that never leave the owner's property would not require a license, Price explained, in answer to one question.
Division 1 Councilor Ron Pollock said he wondered if the bylaw could be made in only apply

in the eastern end of the county to give some farmers a break.
Licensing farm dogs is a "little ridiculous," he added.

Price said not all the complaints come from acreages, although the majority of the 1,500 last year were.

While Mann questioned how the police could force people to buy licences, Reeve Miller said the plan at least seemed worth trying.
The county's animal officer isn't grabbing dogs off personal property, Price argued, and responsible dog owners would not be harassed.
But should a dog run away, the tag would help return it, he said.

But Mann said the type of control suggested in the bylaw is similar to the one used in the past for radon, where people had to have licences.
"We wouldn't be forcing people. We would just be trying to get people to take responsibility for their animals," Price said, adding the licence protects both the animals and the owners.

Pollock said he agreed the bylaw should be given a try, but only he, Reeve Les Miller and Division 3 Councilor George Miller voted for it.
Mann, McCullagh, Division 4 Councilor Ken Fair and Division 7 Councilor Ivan Vork voted against.

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Features

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Musicians shine at talent show



Edwin Erickson was the master of ceremonies.

For some of them it was their first time on stage but they took their roles as entertainers as seriously as the more experienced musicians who were performing.

The event drew an estimated 255 people to the Breton Community Club Saturday evening as 25 youngsters participated in the Second Annual Students' Musical Talent Show. Experience, both on stage and as musicians varied, but all of them from the youngest at eight years old to the oldest at 17 years were enjoyable.

The repertoire presented ranged from classical through pop, gospel and country and

western to old time dance music played on piano, organ, violin, guitar and button accordion, as well as vocals. There were also several duets with youngsters accompanying each other or a parent filling in providing the back-up.

The audience appreciated the presentations of the budding, and in some cases accomplished, performers—experience amounted to as little as less than a year to more than 10 years. Each of the children, regardless of level of accomplishment, was warmly received by the audience.

Organized by the Breton Community Club, co-ordinator for the event Ted Chaplin stressed the main objective was to provide the young musicians with the opportunity to display their artistic abilities in front of an audience and not to single any particular individual out as being "the best."

He added he was pleased with the turnout and noted there were a number of people in the audience who were unrelated to any of the performers—they were there for the entertain-

Local merchants donated funds which provided \$10 honorariums and three, \$50 cash prizes which were drawn for. In addition a \$50 gift certificate to be used towards further musical training was also given away.

Local musician and music teacher Edwin Erickson acted as master of ceremonies for the evening. He provided introductions and background material on the respective musicians before their performances. He kept the evening flowing smoothly with his sometimes humorous introductions.

The performers and their instruments were: Leonard Pohlaka, piano accordion; Michelle Impey, piano solo; Robin Impey, piano accordion; Simon Anthony, violin solo; Elias Anthony, organ solo; Jason Hallerth, accordion solo; Lynne Chartrand, vocal solo; Brenda Mitchell, piano solo; Scott Blanchard, accordion solo; Robert Mockerman, guitar solo; Linda Sharp, accordion solo; Linnette Johnston, vocal solo; Kerwin Erickson, button accordion; Dwayne Chaplin, violin solo; David Gude, button accordion; Darrelle Tagstad, piano solo; Wesley Baker, vocal solo; Kathryn Tweddie, accordion solo; Mary Rempel, organ solo; Jason Kurley, accordion solo; Vincent Strand, piano solo; Kevin Sharp, accordion solo; Angela Strand, vocal solo; and Michael Pohlaka, accordion solo.

Following the evening's performances a family dance was held.

Scott Blanchard from Winfield is in his fourth year as an accordionist.

**Story
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Simon Anthony of Breton has played for one year.



Linnette Johnston is a 16 year-old from Breton.

Final in series of three

Oldtimer returned to Evansburg

By Deane Haskoda

In the days of Turner Valley the gas produced from an oil well was burned in a flare pit. They shed a great deal of light and Eric Proehl remembers it being light enough to read a paper at night.

"In 1930, times were hard and men were looking for work," he added.

They would sleep in flare pits, so before blowing a well down we would have to check the pits—sometimes men would ask to sleep in boiler houses."

Near the town of Turner Valley was a large flare pit where many wells were flared. The roar was so loud that conversation within 100 yards of it was impossible.

Later the conservation board stepped in and stopped the burning of the pool gas.

At first there were only naptha wells. Later they drilled deeper and oil was produced.

The naptha gas was used in cars and tractors just as it came from the wells. It was clean gas and it left no carbon in the motors, but it had a bad smell.

As the oilfields enlarged little villages grew larger. One new village was started between Black Diamond and Longview. Proehl remembers it as being named "Royalties." There were rows of houses, several stores, a post office and a school for Grades 1 to 12. There were also large company houses. Now they are all gone.

"In 1977 we had a reunion in Longview," he recalls. There were over 1,000 people gathered.

"In 1982 a second reunion was held with close to 1,000 people present."

Like so many things in the oilfield, Proehl says, they start small, then grow, and later fade away.

"Though I was lucky a number of times it eventually caught up with me," he says.

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"I have been in hospitals a number of times and had several operations."

Later being unable to work, he left the oilfield and started a business for himself. In October, 1956, he bought the first lot in Lodgepole, even before it was surveyed.

After constructing a small building in Evansburg in November, 1956, he hired a truck with a low boy and hauled it to Lodgepole. It was the first post office and confectionery.

As the village grew, he built a larger store named Eric and Ellen's. This store is still there and is business. But he was bothered by colds and he died in March, 1959, to Mr. and Mrs. Len Kay and moved to Sooke, on Vancouver Island.

There he spent two years commercial fishing and three years as a carpenter. Then after a time he received a letter from Frank Landley asking if he would be interested in buying his building which used to be a store and take over his job as secretary-treasurer of the town and school board. He and his wife returned to Lodgepole in May, 1964, and he eventually had side jobs.

After four years of hard work and his doctor advising he sell the store, they returned to Vancouver Island and lived at Parkville.

However, on Nov. 18, 1981, his wife of over 53 years died. "I intended to stay there," he says. "But there were long days all alone with a lot of memories. I was unable to take it."

He returned to live in the Sunshine Lodge at Evansburg. He has one son, one daughter, six



This was the original Lodgepole store when Eric Proehl owned it.

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Men's bonspiel draws many rinks

By Lyle Dyck

The Breton curling rink has had a busy time with 32 teams entered in the men's open 'spiel. This is the first time in five years the full number of teams has been entered in the 'spiel. Of the 32 teams 14 were from Breton.

It was an all-Breton final with the Tim Ellis team defeating the Gary Nelson team, giving them first in the first event. The Ellis rink consisted of Tim Ellis skip, Robin Dorchester third, Kelly Kijewski second and Jody Dorchester lead.

In the semi-final the Ellis rink defeated the Brian Hansen team and the Nelson rink defeated the Perry Nelson team.

First in the second event was the Paul Liber team from Edmonton who defeated the Ken Fink rink of Drayton Valley.

In the previous game the Liber rink defeated the Richard Ceder team of Leduc and the Pink

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rick defeated the Doug Dalton team of Warburg.

Winner of the third event was the Doug Zingel team who defeated the Jim Capanisk team of Alder Park.

In the semi-finals the Zingel rink defeated the John Kanda team and the Capanisk rink defeated the George Kieger team of Warburg.

The weekend of Jan. 22 Tim Ellis entered a team in a mixed bonspiel in Watsislaw. Team members were Tim Ellis skip, Les Long third, Wayne Sweet second and Jodi Hedlund lead. This team came home with second in the first event.

The Carwood Country Club held a successful monthly social Jan. 22. The next social will be Saturday, Feb. 26.

The next regular meeting of the Carwood Country Club will be held Monday, Feb. 28.

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Employment program extended

Bruce Tuley, minister of Manpower, announced Feb. 3 that the application deadline for two elements of the Winter Priority Employment Program (WEP) has been extended to Feb. 18. Applications will be considered for the small business support element and industrial training element.

The program was announced in December, 1982 and will run until the end of April, 1983. The small business support element of PEP

subsidizes small business employees up to \$2.50 per hour for up to three positions.

The industrial training element helps employers meet training and work force needs with existing employees by reimbursing up to 50 per cent of training wages and up to 100 per cent of instruction and course development costs.

PEP application forms are available at all employment development offices of Alberta Manpower and regional business development offices of Alberta Tourism and Small Business.

Student prefers the quiet life

Charles Rospect is a 14-year-old Grade 8 student at St. Anthony's who has some opinions of school which should make his teachers sit up and take notice.

They're happy to know that he thinks school isn't demanding enough, but will they agree with him when he says there are too many days off during the school year?

He enjoys school and says his favorite class is math, but he has a variety of interests and likes language arts and physical education.

This is his first year at St. Anthony's after moving to Drayton Valley from Scarborough, Ont., two years ago. Last year he attended H.W. Pickup and diplomatically rates the two schools as "about the same."

After life in a large centre he's happy to be in a small town. "It's nice and quiet," he says, adding he prefers it to the bustle and bustle of Scarborough.

Making friends is an easy thing to do here and he may have had something to do with adjusting from the east to the west.

The only problem he's had is finding a job part-time. He worked part-time in his aunt's store in the east and wishes he could find work here to make some spare cash.

A centre, he plays for the junior boys' basketball team. Hockey isn't popular with him. During the winter he plays basketball for the junior boys team and goes out to Judo three nights a week. He used to play hockey but gave it up

after an injury when someone skated over one of his fingers.

He plays baseball and takes archery lessons in the city during the summer and plays football in the fall.

He has his learner's permit and his mother is teaching him how to drive. The family has made trips to Jasper and British Columbia and he looks forward to a possible trip to Hawaii this summer.

Being second youngest in a family with three sisters is "okay" with him. "I take it as it comes," he says.

A girlfriend, Melody, has been taking up some of his time for the last five months. "She's smart, she's fun and I think she's nice," is the way he describes her.

He's decided he wants to be a commercial pilot and fly for an airline when he grows up. He's flown to British Columbia and said it's the idea of flying which appeals to him.

His best friend is Tim Eckart, who goes to H.W. Pickup and they take Judo together and play summer sports. They met last summer when they both worked for Elire-A-Student.



Charles Rospect is this week's student at random.

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maximum of 10 000 GJ (9500 Mcf). In dollar terms, this translates to a maximum rebate of \$4 850.

Those eligible for the rebates include Alberta's Agriculture and Agri-Food Industries, including red crops, livestock and poultry operations, greenhouses (including ornamental), irrigation, grain drying, and seed and pest mox farms. Farmers responsible for their natural gas costs are also eligible.

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2. Farmers may apply for rebate anytime from the calendar years 1982, 1983 and 1984.
3. The program is retroactive to January 1, 1982 and will terminate on December 31, 1984.
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Ferries not her favorite form of travel

I'm beginning to think that car ferries are things to stay away from; too many crossings are turning into ordeals of one kind or another.

The first time I came across such a thing, I was in Scotland driving a rented car, about nine years ago. If you can imagine somebody getting all excited about her first trip on a car ferry, that was me.

I drove on carefully, pulled on the brakes as instructed, had a short but pleasant trip across the river, and then ... couldn't get the parking brake back off again.

It turned out that there was a simple twist to releasing it, which I didn't discover until everybody else on the ferry had had to drive around me to leave.

I can't say that I've had any problems on the Berrymore ferry over the past few years, but the one time, going across Kootenay Lake, gave me a pretty miserable ride once. The lake was rough, the ferry rocked, and I spent the whole time hanging over the side ready to jump if the cattle truck beside me tipped.

My latest adventure happened last week. I'd decided to take a run into Nelson, playing hockey from the three-month yep course I'm taking.

Maybe fate decided to teach me a lesson for such a lapse, and when we reached the far side of the lake, and all the drivers headed out of the on-board coffee shop and back to their cars, my lesson came.

Picture this ... the ferry pulls up to Ballisat docks, 50 assorted trucks and cars start streaming off. Another 50 odd cars and trucks are lined up waiting for the signal to drive on.

But as the last car leaves, the crew looked around and sees a small white car sitting at the very end with a fairly dejected person standing in the rain looking at it.

For some strange reason, both my doors had jammed. They weren't locked, but they refused to open.

It ended up with half the crew and the captain all standing around thumping on the poor thing while I got wetter and wetter. (My rain gear was in the car, of course.)

We thought about crawling in through the hatchback, but my car was the last one a queued on, and the sled was sort of hanging out over the water. Nobody wanted to take on the job of crawling around and trying to get it unlocked.

Out Our Way



by Wendy Thomson

Just as I was getting ready to do it myself because I was so embarrassed, one door popped open, and away I went, heading straight to the local car dealer.

The service department there told me that this was a common problem in B.C., with snow and salt getting in the door workings, and cleaned it all out (for \$25.00).

I expected the ferry crew to pull up the gangplank and cast off when they saw me driving up the wharf on the return journey, but by then the crew had changed.

We have a day off this week, and it would be nice to go to Nelson again, but maybe I'll just take a quiet, uneventful drive in the mountains on this side of the lake, instead.

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Supporting Entwistle in his bid for a new provincial jail may be pre-judging later developments, decisions Parkland County decided last week.

Entwistle sought county backing for his attempt to set the facility, purported to involve about 200 jobs. But as it would be located in Parkland,

councillors, who also sit at the development appeal board, said they may be prejudicing themselves by supporting it now.

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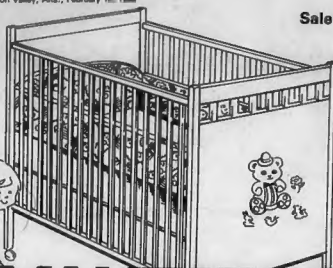
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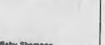
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Shaunna Tuckwood new queen

Saturday was a big day for local figure skaters. The Carnival Queen was chosen and over 180 members of the figure skating club performed for parents, grandparents and spectators in Drayton Valley's annual ice extravaganza.

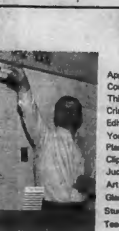
Shaunna Tuckwood was crowned queen during the intermission of the second performance and will appear in the Blowout Days Parade.

Carnival chairman Lois Fankiewicz estimated total attendance for the two performances to be about 1,700. "There were a lot of people who were not parents or grandparents," she said. "They were just fans I guess."

The 180 skaters were worked into 19 rotations and spent up to 22 hours per week in preparation. The children in the group lessons had been practicing for the past six weeks and the skaters taking private lessons had worked the previous two weeks.



Shaunna Tuckwood was chosen the carnival queen. She was escorted by Constable Jeff Smith.



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Museum goal one step closer

By Jack Morrison
The Historical Society of Drayton Valley is one step closer to its long-term goal with the completion of a display case.

Using plans borrowed from Alberta Culture, Les Tucker and Arved Erickson constructed the display case from raw materials purchased by the society. It is located in the back part of Expressions Arts and Crafts.

"Alberta Culture has had a lot of experience with museums and have a type of case that has proved very suitable for displays," said Nevis LaBranche, president of the society. The display is open to public viewing at any time, but on Wednesdays a volunteer member is available to answer questions.

According to LaBranche, the society was formed May 15, 1980 under the instigation of Mark Pickup, then Executive Social Services director. The society received a grant from the government during the 75th anniversary

celebration. The money from the grant was used to finance a proposal to begin the search for suitable articles and equipment.

Edith Deby was another driving force in the inception of the historical society, added LaBranche. Currently Deby is compiling a scrapbook recalling the history of Drayton Valley area.

Other funding for the society has come in the form of donations from various oil companies. "We contacted the oil companies in early 1982," LaBranche said. She added the money received from both corporate and private donations will go toward the operating costs such as leased space and telephone.

"The long-term objective of the society," said LaBranche, "is to find a permanent home for the Drayton Valley Museum. We are looking for a place with land around it to accommodate donated equipment."

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